

**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, lines 4-7, please amend the specification as shown below:

**CROSSREFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation-in-part of co-pending application Serial No. 09/564,212 entitled "~~ION SENSITIVE, WATER DISPERSIBLE POLYMERS, A METHOD OF MAKING SAME AND ITEMS USING SAME~~" and filed in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 4, 2000, and this application also claims benefit of provisional patent application Serial No. 60/318,568, filed September 10, 2001. The entirety of this application Serial No. 09/564,212, filed May 4, 2000 is hereby incorporated by reference.

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